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Important Dates

Member Breakfast July 16, 2005
Landings at Trillium, 9am
Grand Summer Social July 30, 2005
Lake Club, 5-7 pm
Annual Meeting August 6, 2005
Glenville CDC, 9am
Member Breakfast August 20, 2005

Landings at Trillium, 9am Member Breakfast September 17, 2005

Landings at Trillium, 9am

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Howard M. Austin, Editor

Official Announcement: Annual FLG Meeting August 6, 2005 9am Glenville CDC

In Memorium Robert Luck 1954-2005





Husband, father, friend, fisherman...

A transplanted Texan who came to love the mountains of Western North Carolina and Lake Glenville, Robert was a friend to all he met, whether as a real estate agent introducing them to his beloved mountains, a fisherman helping a young person learn his passion, or simply as a friend and fellow Friends of Lake Glenville Board member. He will be remembered and missed.



Annual FLG Lake Clean Up: Overcast but successful!

Second FLG Member Breakfast of 2005: Good food, good friends, and a visit from our local Jackson County representatives

See inside for details.



Pictured above: David Leach unloading debris during lake clean up; Doug Odell, Eddie Madden, Ken Westmoreland, & Carol Adams at first breakfast.

The President's Message Carol Adams Summer 2005

Those of us who are "at home" at the lake have spent most May and June days, and nights, dodging raindrops while trying to enjoy our outdoor activities. We often remind each other that we are living in a rain forest and that the several previous years of drought have caused us to forget that fact!

Rain did not dampen the spirits of more than fifty members who attended the first Friends of Lake Glenville Communication Breakfast on May 21st. There was a great deal of meeting and greeting of old friends and new lake residents while everyone enjoyed the typical delicious breakfast buffet served by Trillium Landings. Thanks to our logo-clothing chair, Karen **Scarbrough**, who has significantly increased the logo items inventory, there are many fresh choices from caps to carry-alls. Russell and Nancy Albers and Mac and Libby McGriff were the lucky winners in the drawing for the 2004 Win-Win fundraising campaign prizes. The Albers now have a new TV with VCR/DVD and the McGriffs will soon be enjoying a three-day vacation on Amelia Island at Elizabeth Point Lodge or Katy's Light.

Fifty seems to be our magic number! Approximately fifty folks enjoyed the FLG sponsored barbeque lunch after the lake clean-up on June 11. Over fifty members and prospective members attended the June breakfast on June 16th to hear speakers **Eddie Madden**, Jackson County Commissioner, and **Ken Westmoreland**, Jackson County Manager, relay information about the Preferred Settlement Agreement recently filed with the FERC by the County, FLG and other towns and counties throughout the community (see the legal summary elsewhere in this newsletter).

Well, this is a new year and in 2005 everyone has another chance to be a winner...actually three chances per ticket. By now you should have received your 1st

Annual Summer Raffle tickets to win a stainless steel grill, 50" TV or Gator utility vehicle. We are asking each member to purchase or sell two tickets. Additional tickets are available for those who have chil-

dren, friends, neighbors and associates who would also like to take a chance at winning one of these exciting prizes. This fundraiser enables us to continue our mission as Stewards of the Lake, by providing the necessary funds for our continued successful progress in the legal intervention to Duke Power's relicensing application, our expanding water quality testing needs, lake clean-up and other community projects we support such as the Clemson University research to attack the Wooly Adelgid that is destroying hemlocks throughout western North Carolina. Raffle Chair Patti Hicks and her committee organized the mass mailing to members and the distribution of the 1st Annual Summer Raffle posters to locations throughout the Cashiers and Glenville community. An expanded article about the raffle may be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Soon we will be asking each other "where did the summer go"? For FLG members it will be a "Summer on the Go". July dates begin with the festive, patriotic boat parade and fireworks on July 3rd. At the July 16th Breakfast the Clemson University researchers will be our guests who will convey more about the Beetle Army they are creating to rid us of the Woolly Adelgid. Members and guests will their don party attire to attend our happy hour event, the **Grand Summer Social**, on July 30th at the Lake Club. Our Annual Meeting and elections will be held on August 6th followed by a Breakfast event on August 20. At the final breakfast of the year, September 17th, we will celebrate the close of our successful raffle fundraiser and will draw for the winners of the 1st Annual Summer Raffle.

Each year we continue to enjoy increased involvement of our members who volunteer their time and respond to our fundraising activities, social events and requests for assistance. On behalf of the FLG Board of Directors, I thank you for being a member and for your continued support.

Come on and join us for an enjoyable season among Friends....Friends of Lake Glenville!

Lake Clean-Up & Lunch

David Leach, Shoreline Management Liaison

A few boats of loyal supporters of the clean-up effort braved the rain and the overcast conditions on Saturday June 11 to help out on clean-up day. It had rained all night and the conditions looked a lot worse than they actually were, which obviously kept away many of the boats that would otherwise have helped out. However, many thanks to those of you that turned out to participate.

Several of us made several trips to the end of Pine Creek to remove the remains of the covered bridge which had collapsed some time ago. Large numbers of planks and bridge supports, covered with 3 inch nails littered the shore, along with a great deal of unsightly debris—bottles, plastic bags, cans, etc. Many thanks to the Schoepfers for the use of their pontoon to remove this dangerous debris from the lake. The helpers provided by Trillium to remove the debris did a splendid job, so many thanks to them and to Trillium for their kind donation of the helpers' time. We encountered other boats, particularly the Wertymer and Miller contingent and the Adams family (!), performing stellar clean-up work and there were many others working in many areas of the lake—the Di Castagnas in Hurricane Creek, for example—who also both removed smaller trash and debris and tied off larger objects to the shore. I'm sure there were others that I did not see and therefore have omitted mention, but thanks to you all for your efforts. Gladly, no one towed any trees or large objects to the ramp for removal!

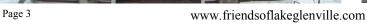
All the participants removed to Buck Knob Landing

after clean-up to enjoy a fabulous barbecue lunch, organized by Jackie Wertymer and her family and friends. Specific thanks to Jackie, Fred, Alex and Natalie, to Bob, Betsy and Katy Miller (desserts were splendid, Betsy!), Jack and Martha Hamilton, Carole Shepardson, Dottie Ennis, and Tom and Robin Crawford at the Cashiers Farmers Market, and Ingles, for the barbecue and buns. Special thanks to Tom Turner for the use of the Pavilion on Buck Knob Landing.

For those of you that could not make it, I know you will "do your bit" for the lake at another time. If we all put in 2 or 3 hours of fun removing debris and trash and tying off large objects to the shore, we will keep Lake Glenville as clean as it is today. I have to say that, from one person's perspective, this is the cleanest we have ever seen the lake. Yes, we removed debris and trash but in areas where we usually find lots of it—off Ralph Andrews Park, in Sunset Cove and in the other coves around the lake—there was a refreshing paucity of garbage, which is very encouraging and means that all of us, Friends of Lake Glenville and members of the public alike, are doing a great job of maintaining the unspoiled quality of our wonderful lake.

Oh, yes, the best decorated boat prize went to The Schoepfer boat with their large American flag flapping in the breeze. The prize of 6 cases of Dom Perignon, (actually, one bottle of Veuve Cliquot), was duly awarded. Well done, Joe and Barbara, and thanks!







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John Deere Gator-CS Utility Vehicle



Weber Stainless Steel Gas Grill



Samsung 50" High Definition TV

Friends of Lake Glenville Annual Summer Raffle

Support FLG Lake & Community Projects

Boating Safety Program • Lake Clean-up • Re-licensing Fund Water Quality Testing • Special Projects

WIN a Prize or \$3,000 Cash

Tickets \$50.00 each

Only 800 Tickets to Be Sold

Drawing Saturday, September 17, 2005

Purchase Tickets from FLG Members or By Calling 743-1658 / 743-1630

Join the Friends of Lake Glenville for 2005

FRIENDS OF LAKE GLENVILLE

2005 Membership Application

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Lake 911 address if above is PO Box:		
Lake neighborhood name and/or general area: _		
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Cardholder (print):	Signature:	

Mail completed form with dues check or credit card information to:

Friends of Lake Glenville, P.O. Box 493, Glenville NC 28736

*Must be *received* one month prior to Annual Meeting (this year July 6 2005), in order to vote at Annual Meeting August 6th 2005, per FLG By Laws.

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FLG's Summer on the Go.....

There are numerous FLG activities to mark on your calendars for 2005 and it appears there is something for everyone!

Celebratory mind-sets were enhanced by the many Fourth of July activities throughout the community, but none surpassed the "Fireworks on the Lake" on Sunday, July 3rd organized by Stuart Hall, commodore of the "Lake Glenville Navy". The fireworks show was preceded by the Friends of Lake Glenville boat parade where the patriotic boat decorations have always been impressive. This year FLG sponsored a "Best Decorated Boat" contest so boat décor soared over the top! For the first time the fireworks were shot off from land at "The Point". Landowner Roxanne Albury and The Point homeowners graciously offered the location when the barge became unavailable.

If you love delicious breakfast buffets and meeting and greeting friends and neighbors while hearing about a subject important to the lake, then you will want to attend our **communication breakfasts on**July 16th, August 20th and September 17th...always on the third Saturday of the month from May through September. At our annual meeting on August 6th we will summarize our year, elect directors and we will

welcome a very timely speaker, Robert Shelton, the Jackson County Soil Erosion/Sedimentation Officer.

The Grand Summer Social on July 30th will be held at the Lake Club's striking clubhouse thanks to Wendy and Sam Lupas who have generously furnished the facility for our party. This glorious setting is right on the lake and avid boaters can motor over on water while auto arrivals will be shuttled from the top to the lake setting.

There are several ways you can obtain more details about FLG and FLG events. Our website, www. friendsoflakeglenville.com, contains all recent newsletters and a schedule of events. The FLG Phone Committee makes calls to all members at their lake telephones about one week prior to events and at the same time an email is sent to those member's whose addresses we have on file. Our activities are published in the Crossroads Chronicle Schedule of Upcoming Events and radio spots broadcast the information as well. For additional breakfast and Grand Summer Social information and reservations, please call **Dottie** Ennis at 743-7530. For the fireworks and boat parade call David Leach at 743-1825; for the annual meeting, Carol Adams at 743-1658.



FLG Logo items are the perfect way to support our organization and show your friends and neighbors and local merchants how many of us there are. Pick up items at breakfasts and other gatherings.

Salespeople Karen Scarbrough (left) at the May breakfast and Lynn Leach and Debbie Castagna (right) at the June breakfast







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Grand Summer Social

July 30, 2005



Our **Grand Summer Social** will be Cocktails at the Lake Club* on **Saturday July 30th, 5 to7 pm**. All members and their guests are invited! Come by boat or by car....cost will be \$10.00 per person...incudes wonderful horduerves, wine, beer, and soft drinks...mixed drinks available at a minimum charge...looking forward to seeing all of our Lake friends...old and new on July 30th ...for reservations contact Dottie Ennis (see below).

Our **monthly breakfasts** are scheduled for the third Saturday of each month. On **July 16th** Clemson University researchers will tell us how they are going to rid us of the wooly adelgid that is destroying the hemlocks. The August breakfast is on **August 20th** and on **September 17th**, our final breakfast of the year, we will be drawing the winning names of the 1st Annual Summer Raffle.

The FLG annual meeting is scheduled for August 6th. Elections will be held for three Board of Director positions, and speakers will be from the Jackson County Department of Soil Erosion and Sedimentation.

For all reservations call Dottie Ennis at 828 743-7530 or email Dottie at dlucyb@hotmail.com.

*Directions to The Lake Club: From North Norton Road north of Trillium on the west side of the lake, take Lloyd Hooper Road to its end. Then go left all the way down to the lake and The Lake Club. There will be limited parking at the Club and shuttles from the parking at the top.

Breakfast Tidbits May 21, 2005







A note: As guests of Trillium, we have been asked to remember their 17 mph speed limit. Let's be good visitors and drive slowly.





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THE DUKE-NANTAHALA RELICENSING CASE:

JUNE 2005 UPDATE

State of Play: Our efforts since the first of the year have been devoted principally to (a) negotiating and drafting the alternative "Preferred Settlement Agreement" that was filed with the FERC on Thursday, June 16, 2005 and (b) to preserving claims that the FERC Staff's proposed Environmental Assessment (EA) review effectively forecloses review of non-Duke alternatives (including those advocated by Friends of Lake Glenville). These two prongs work together because the argument on the inadequacy of the environmental review operate in part to keep the review process open until the Preferred Settlement Agreement should be completed and filed.

Filing of the Preferred Settlement Agreement. ("PSA"). The PSA package was filed on Thursday, June 16. A summary of the principal points is set out below. In the normal course, the Commission will issue a notice of the proposal and open a comment period in the coming weeks. FERC Staff will need to conduct an environmental review of the PSA along with the Duke settlement filed last year. In that context, FERC would be expected to look to the resource agencies (USF&W, NCWRC, etc.) for an independent analysis and comment of the PSA, regardless of their having executed the Duke-sponsored agreements two years ago.

The PSA is a complex and lengthy document. This summary is intended only to highlight some of the provisions of particular interest and is not intended to be complete (especially with regard to the provisions that are of interest principally for the various county government and related agencies). With this caveat, the principal points of interest to Lake Glenville residents and users include the following:

- a. Limitation on variations in lake levels at Lake Glenville: "Licensee shall maintain the Project Reservoir at the Normal Target Elevation at least 50 percent of the days in each calendar year". PSA, page 6.
- b. Funding of Andrews Park. Jackson County agrees to use funds received under the PSA for various enumerated environmental enhancement and mitigation projects, "including, with regards to Jackson County, funding the master plan for the development of Andrews Park". PSA, page 9.
- c. Limitations on whitewater recreational releases in the West Fork bypass reach PSA (pp. 10-11):
 - (i) no releases for the first 10 years (with increased releases at the Cheoah River instead);
 - (ii) releases after that only on showing *inter alia* (a) that demand for releases cannot be met at Cheoah River bypass; (b) that releases can be conducted on Project property only without any damage to or trespass over adjacent non-Project property (c) how emergency rescue services can be provided pursuant to an Emergency Rescue Plan without requiring

- trespass on or over non-Project property.
- (iii) Any proposed Emergency Rescue Plan must be approved by Jackson County. Licensee to execute reimbursement and indemnification agreement with Jackson County regarding furnishing of emergency services and provide annual monetary support for training of emergency personnel and furnishing of emergency equipment and supplies.
- (iv) Recreational releases downstream of the confluence of East and West Forks are unaffected;
- (v) No portage trail to be constructed to West Fork Bypassed Reach until recreational flows required per above (i.e. not for 10 years; thereafter only if conditions met)
- d. Fees and charges must be "fair and reasonable". "All fees or charges by Licensee under the Shoreline Management Program approved herein shall be fair and reasonable". PSA, page 16.
- e. *Revised Shoreline Management rules*. Generally adopts provisions from the 1997 Shoreline Management Guidelines, with amendments and with additions (and amendments) from the 2003 SMG.
 - Restoration of Shoreline Lease Program. PSA, Attachment B, page B-5, et. seq. Leases for a five year term. Lease rents must be reasonably calculated to recover only the reasonable costs associated with administration of lease program (page B-6).
 - (ii) Public use of Shoreline Property. Walking and bank fishing are allowed on all DPNA property not otherwise restricted. PSA, Attachment B, page B-3. Limitations on use spelled out on page B-2 to B-5.
 - (iii) All Duke discretionary actions subject to requirement to act reasonably. PSA Attachment B, page B-2 (for example, "in its reasonable discretion", in its sole reasonable discretion", "in its reasonable opinion" taking into account in each instance the purposes of the Shoreline Management Regulations, the protection of public health and safety and the applicable requirements of the law).
 - (iv) General language protecting against public nuisances, excessive noise, etc. PSA Attachment B, page B-5. Urination or defectaion in view of adjacent homes or the lake is prohibited (page B-11). Nude or topless female sunbathing "in view of adjacent homes or the lake" is prohibited (page B-10-B-11).

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- (v) Vegetation Management Requirements (Exhibit 1 to Attachment B (pages B-26 to B-33) based on current VMR.
- (vi) Standards for piers/docks (Exhibit 2to Attachment B (pages B-34 to B-38) (recognition of high potential for overuse of lake resources from Commercial Marinas, with permits for new or expanded such marinas to be granted only where determined that they will not adversely affect public safety or the existing environment (including in particular the protection of water quality, the prevention of shoreline erosion, sound pollution and litter) or tend to create any public nuisance) (page B-34))
- (vi) User permit agreement to be redrafted (due onesided nature of a number of indemnity/ reimbursement type provisions). Explanatory Statement, at page 14-15.
- f. Rules constraining exercise of discretionary power. Adoption of various provisions to use
 - (i) no retaliation against those who exercise rights (Attachment B, Section 1.C, page B-2) ("[i]n administering these SMR, DPNA does not deny or delay the grant of any permit, right or other benefit to the owner of adjacent property due to that owner's exercise of rights or remedies provided by Federal or State law";
 - (ii) requiring disclosure of all relevant portions of otherwise nonpublic standards when they form any part of the basis of any denial of permit, lease or any other benefit (Attachment B, Section IX, page B-12);
 - (iii) general requirement of reasonableness (Attachment B, Section I.D) page B-2);
 - (iv) creation of "ombudsman" for any person who "believes that he or she has been subjected to ad-

- verse or retaliatory action in contravention" of DPNA no-retaliation policy (Attachment B, Section 1.C (2) page B-2);
- (v) providing FERC's Enforcement "hotline" telephone number and email address for such contacts (Attachment B, page B-2)
- (vi) requiring FERC review and approval of "material alterations" in Shoreline Management Regulations (Attachment B, page B-1).

Key provisions relating principally to the County and Town governments and associated agencies include the following:

- a. The Dillsboro Dam would be retained and relicensed. This was a key objective for Jackson County. The Dam is retained with the Licensee to pay funds for off-site mitigation and to engage in defined dredging of Project lakes. See PSA at 11-13, Attachment A and other related provisions in PSA. For sediment management agreements, see PSA, page 17;
- b. Additional mitigation payments to the governments of Jackson, Macon and Swain Counties. There are significant payments to be paid, spelled out at various points in the PSA.
- c. Restrictions on vegetation management along the Little Tennessee River (relating to Franklin Project). PSA, page 16-17;
- d. Regular five year review. Duke to prepare and submit to the parties for review and written comment an operation and compliance report addressing various items. (PSA, page 18);
- e. Funding for post-license consultations, etc. See PSA, page 23

All pleadings and other documents filed with or issued by the Commission (including the 119 page Preferred Settlement Agreement as a PDF file) may be accessed over the web at:

http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/searchfercgensearch.asp and inserting the docket P-2686 in the appropriate search field.

More lake cleanup







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Membership Committee Update

Malina Fowler, Chairperson

The Friends of Lake Glenville's two decades of success is largely due to the many folks who caught the vision early on and realized that being a good steward of the lake required a concerted ongoing effort from the entire community. The seriousness of this mission has resulted in numerous membership committee volunteers over the years spending countless hours educating the community about the importance of growing the association in order to secure a place at the table when local decisions arise concerning the lake.

Thankfully, due to the hard work of previous membership committee members when the all important relicensing issue surfaced, FLG did have a place at the table. This work continues as the 2005 membership committee's primary objective is to **guarantee FLG's place at the table remains secure**. In order to accomplish this objective FLG's membership rolls **must** continue to grow. The committee believes education is still the key to growing the association. As folks be-

gin to understand the economic impact the lake has on Glenville and the surrounding communities they are more than willing to support our efforts.

In order to get our message to the widest audience possible the committee is launching several initiatives that will continue over the summer. The plan is to enlist support from several different sources simultaneously including realtors, newspapers, radio stations, and local businesses. Listen for our ads being aired on WHLC, the Highlands radio station. We welcome your ideas and feedback.

Since this is a mutually beneficial cause we would like to take this opportunity to encourage each FLG member to participate by **educating neighbors and friends, inviting a friend to the FLG breakfast or calling a committee member with a potential recruit's name.** Thank you in advance for your support. Have a great summer!

Nominating Committee Appointed

The 2005 members of the Nominating Committee are: Carol Adams, president; Jim Zoller, immediate past president; Neil Greiser, former president; Joanne Lindquist, current board member and nominating committee chair, and Lynn Leach, member at large. Elections will be held at the annual meeting on August 6, 9:00 AM at the Glenville Community Development Center. Members may call any member of the nominating committee to submit names to consider for three expiring director positions.

Fireworks, continued

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mortar tubes and pancake boxes to dispose of.

The Glenville Lake Fourth of July fireworks shoot is likely not the largest you will ever witness, but it may be the most moving. We encourage you to join with your family and community to take part in a celebration of America at a very special venue.

Water quality in Lake Glenville

is a major reason many of us chose to live on or around the lake. Assessing and helping to maintain that pristine quality is a core concern of the Friends of Lake Glenville. Board member and chairperson of the Water Quality Committee Sandy Bishop is shown in front of the updated water quality boards that can be seen at most breakfasts and at the Annual Meeting. 2005 results should be on the FLG web site soon also. Volunteers are needed to help with sampling too.



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A (somewhat tongue-in-cheek) History of Fourth of July Fireworks on Lake Glenville

As told by the Commodore of the Glenville Lake Navy, Stuart Hall, in excepts from a previously private communication

We started the shoot on July 4, 2000 in a fit of inspiration. Tom Turner was beginning the development of Buck Knob Island and his cargo barge was something of a novelty on the lake. We bought a few hundred dollars of back-yard-type bottle rockets in South Carolina, and Tom and I and some of our construction workers went out on the lake to ignite them. Several boats were cruising the lake and they motored up to watch. We decided to ratchet up the show a little for the next year and inform some friends in advance. That year, we got permission from Duke Power and from the NC Wildlife Resources people and perhaps a dozen boats were waiting as we took to the lake. As happens in Glenville, word of the community event got around, and last year we had over 150 boats on the lake and a pretty good crowd watching from the shore near the Hamburg Baptist Church.

Over the years, we've tried to add new features to keep the show interesting. A couple of years back, we initiated a Regatta leading up to the shoot. Boats convene in front of Buck Knob Island at 8:45 PM and run up the lake around Bill Young's island then back south about the show and will maintain a pyrotechnic-rated to the discharge site. The fireworks commence at 9:17, about 5 minutes after the sun sets. Last year, we made a CD with fun and patriotic music (Anchors Aweigh, America the Beautiful etc.) which we played from the push boat over a PA system powered by a generator. We've also developed the concept of the Glenville Lake Navy which we hope to grow to be the largest freshwater navy in North Carolina. You may see some of the Navy colors flown from the boats during the Regatta along with other boats decorated in patriotic themes. Overall, we've done a credible job of providing a forum for our community members to gather and celebrate our nation's traditions in a beautiful natural setting.

From the outset, we've endeavored to keep the show innocent and ideal. We currently spend \$2,000 on the largest consumer class fireworks we can get. That provides for a reasonably exciting 25 minute show. We've researched moving to a B Class firework, the kind they shoot at Disney World, but determined the

safety factors aren't sufficient to make that viable. With the echo effect of the mountain surroundings and the proximity of the boats to the discharge site, C Class fireworks provide a thrill for children and parents while reducing the risk of accidents or injury. Most of the time, friends kick in a contribution to help defray the cost of the show. A normal contribution is \$ 50 and we will not accept any more than \$ 100 from any individual. The Friends of Lake Glenville traditionally give \$ 750 each year. I make up any shortfalls.

We've had many adventures conducting the show. My hair smoldered several years back, and I was shot once in the posterior. However, we have never experienced an injury to people or equipment. All of our discharge assistants are experienced and sober. I have passed the South Carolina exam for conducting B-Class (professional) pyrotechnic shows. This year, we will be assisted by an individual who has years of experience conducting B-class shows. We've talked with the Jackson County Fire Marshal and the Sheriff fire extinguisher on site. We've received parking permission from the Pastor of the Hamburg Baptist Church for spectators. The fireworks, once set up, will not be left unattended, and they will be covered until the time of discharge. Unfortunately, in the event of a heavy, persistent rain in the evening, the show will have to be postponed until the following evening. This happened once before. We will also monitor wind conditions and boats must remain 150' off shore.

The shoot is comprised of mortars and pancakes. Mortars are fused devices with 2 charges - the first lifts the device into the air and the second follows several seconds later providing color and a salute. Pancakes are boxes of multiple shots ignited by one fuse. They are helpful in conducting a finale by sending a lot of noise and color into the air over a short period. Typically, the discharge assistants are pretty worn out after the show. The following morning, we return to the site and clean up the debris. There are many spent

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